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                   UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
                  EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
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   UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
                              : CR-98-1101
                                   : U.S. Courthouse
           v.
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                                    : Brooklyn, New York
   JOHN DOE,
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                Defendant.
                                  : TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING
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                                 : June 21, 2010
    -----X 10:30 a.m.
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   BEFORE:
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                HONORABLE I. LEO GLASSER, U.S.D.J.
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             THE CLERK: This is criminal cause for order to show
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    cause in docket number 98-CR-1101, U.S.A. versus Doe.
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    Counsel, please state your name for the record.
            MS. MOORE:
                       Kelly Moore and Brian Herman from Morgan
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   Lewis for movant John Doe.
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            MR. LERNER: Richard E. Lerner of Wilson Elser
   Moskowitz Edelman and Dicker for nonparty respondent Frederick
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   M. Oberlander.
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            MR. STAMOULIS: Stam Stamoulis on behalf of nonparty
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   respondents Jody Kriss and Michael Ejekam.
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            THE COURT: Everybody is ready to proceed?
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            MS. MOORE: Yes, your Honor. Could I ask who the
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   gentlemen in the back row are?
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            MR. STAMOULIS: He's my law partner.
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            AUDIENCE SPEAKER: Good morning.
            THE COURT: Good morning.
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            MS. MOORE: Your Honor, I would ask to proceed with
    the testimony of Mr. Oberlander.
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            THE COURT: I'm sorry.
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            MS. MOORE: I would ask we proceed with the
   testimony of Mr. Oberlander.
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            THE COURT: Please.
   FREDERICK M. OBERLANDER, called
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   as the witness herein, having been first duly sworn/affirmed.
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   testified as follows:
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- THE CLERK: Could you please state and spell your
- 2 | name for the record.
- THE WITNESS: Frederick M. Oberlander, O-b-e-r-l-
- 4 | a-n-d-e-r.
- 5 THE COURT: You my be seated. Thank you.
- 6 All right, Ms. Moore.
- 7 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 8 BY MS. MOORE:
- 9 Q. Mr. Oberlander, what do you do for a living?
- 10 A. I'm an attorney.
- 11 Q. How long have you been practicing law?
- 12 A. For a living, approximately seven years.
- 13 Q. For how long have you had a law license?
- 14 A. Ten years.
- 15 Q. And what type of law do you practice?
- 16 A. Mostly commercial law and primarily transactional,
- 17 | financial and taxation, but I do general work.
- 18 | Q. Do you handle any criminal matters?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 | Q. You're admitted in the State of New York; is that right?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. You practice in both Federal and State Court?
- 23 | A. Recently I started practicing in Federal Court. I was
- 24 admitted a few months ago in Southern District.
- 25 | Q. Are you admitted anywhere else other than New York?

- 1 A. I was admitted pro hac in a couple of jurisdictions. I
- 2 | don't remember whether those expired or not.
- 3 Q. Did that include Delaware?
- 4 A. At one time.
- 5 Q. Where is your practice located?
- 6 A. In Montauk, New York.
- 7 Q. That's where your office is located?
- 8 THE COURT: Did you say Montauk?
- 9 THE WITNESS: Yes, in the Hamptons.
- 10 Q. What is the address of your office?
- 11 A. The street address is 28 Sycamore Lane.
- 12 Q. And is that a solo practice?
- 13 A. It is.
- 14 Q. Do you have any employees at all?
- 15 A. Not full time, but I occasionally add staff depending on
- 16 needs.
- 17 Q. Now, you filed a complaint in the Southern District of
- 18 New York captioned Jody Kriss, Michael Ejekam and Bayrock
- 19 Group versus Bayrock Group and various others; is that
- 20 | correct?
- 21 A. Yes, I did.
- 22 Q. When did you file that complaint?
- 23 A. I'm sorry, I didn't hear you.
- 24 Q. When did you file that complaint?
- 25 A. The 10th of May.

- 1 Q. Around the same time you sent an email to Ron Kriss
- 2 attaching a copy of that complaint; is that correct?
- 3 A. I believe I sent that on May 12th.
- 4 Q. And was the version that you sent to Ron Kriss the same
- 5 | version that you filed in the Southern District of New York?
- 6 A. The version of the complaint itself was.
- 7 0. What was different?
- 8 A. The exhibits to the complaint that I filed, which was
- 9 | physically filed in New York and not by ECF, had only limited
- 10 excerpts from some of the materials that you referred to in
- 11 | the order to show cause as the sealed and confidential
- 12 documents, but the file attachments on email that went to Ron
- 13 Kriss I believe had additional pages in the PDF files on some
- 14 of those documents.
- MS. MOORE: Your Honor, may I?
- 16 THE COURT: Sure.
- 17 Q. Mr. Oberlander, let me show you a copy of the version you
- 18 sent to Mr. Ron Kriss on May 12th. Is that the copy you sent
- 19 to Ron Kriss?
- 20 A. It appears to be, but it is hundreds of pages. It would
- 21 be impossible for me to tell for sure just glancing at it. It
- 22 does appear to be.
- MS. MOORE: Your Honor, I offer that.
- 24 THE COURT: Is there any objection to that?
- MR. LERNER: No objection.

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             THE COURT: Thank you. It will be received as I
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    quess Plaintiff's 1.
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             Precisely what is that? Would you identify that for
    the record.
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             MS. MOORE: Your Honor, Exhibit 1 is the SDNY
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    complaint captioned "Jody Kriss, et al. versus Bayrock
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             THE COURT:
                         Is that the document that you handed up,
    somebody handed up to me?
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             MS. MOORE:
                        Yes, your Honor, that's Exhibit 1.
             THE COURT: Together with all the attachments?
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             MS. MOORE: Correct.
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             MR. LERNER: Your Honor, I think Ms. Moore may be
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    leading now with the topic.
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             THE COURT: I'm having a little trouble hearing you,
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    Mr. Lerner.
             MR. LERNER: I think Ms. Moore may be leading into
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    areas of work product. Now, the topic of this order to show
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    cause, as set forth in the order to show cause, is from whom
    Mr. Oberlander received the purportedly sealed and
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    confidential documents and to whom he gave them, so, I would
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    like to object in advance to any questioning that may go to
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    why he did certain things and simply ask that the Court limit
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             THE COURT: Ms. Moore.
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7 Oberlander-direct/Moore Your Honor, I mean objections can be MS. MOORE: made to the questions asked. We believe the order to show THE COURT: This is in the nature of a motion in To avoid constant objections and so on, if there's no objection to what it is that Mr. Lerner is suggesting would be appropriate, then we'll proceed accordingly. MS. MOORE: Your Honor, I do intend to inquire as to what Mr. Oberlander knew and what his intent was specifically with respect to sealed documents. THE COURT: What is the relevance of that insofar as

this order to show cause is concerned? I understand the order to show cause in this proceeding is addressed to where these documents came from, how he obtained it and not what his intent was. I don't know what the relevance of that is. It seems to me your concern was the unauthorized or seemingly apparently unauthorized use and possession of sealed documents.

MS. MOORE: That's correct, your Honor. To the extent Mr. Oberlander knew they were sealed and acted anyway, we believe it is relevant to our application.

THE COURT: What is your application beyond that? MS. MOORE: Eventually our application, your Honor, would be probably attorney's fees and sanctions related to his conduct which typically under the law follow the elements of

whether or not there was in fact civil contempt of a court order.

THE COURT: Well, Ms. Moore, it would be perfectly proper to ask whether Mr. Oberlander was aware of the fact these documents were sealed. What his intent was I don't think has any relevance to this proceeding. Why don't you

MS. MOORE: Okay.

- 9 Q. Mr. Oberlander, attached as Exhibit A are two proffer
- 10 agreements, a cooperation agreement and a pretrial statement;
- 11 | is that correct?

proceed.

- 12 A. What you handed me you're referring to?
- 13 Q. Yes.

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- 14 A. I think there's only one proffer agreement.
- 15 Q. Oh, two, I'm sorry, you're right. They are double-sided
- 16 pages and I didn't see that.
- From whom did you obtain the documents that were
- 18 attached to the email you sent to Mr. Ron Kriss as Exhibits A
- 19 | and C?
- 20 A. Joshua Bernstein.
- 21 Q. Who is Joshua Bernstein?
- 22 A. He was a client of mine at one time.
- 23 Q. In what matter did you represent him?
- 24 A. In an action he had against Bayrock Group LLC in White
- 25 Plains Supreme Court, New York.

- 1 Q. Was there an engagement letter for that representation?
- 2 A. There was.
- 3 Q. Did he pay you for your legal services?
- 4 A. No, he did not.
- 5 | Q. Were you paid by anyone else in connection with your
- 6 legal services in that matter?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 | Q. Did you enter an appearance on his behalf in that matter?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Who entered an appearance on his behalf in that matter?
- 11 | A. I really don't know. I know he was represented at all
- 12 times by a gentleman I would refer to as lead counsel. I had
- 13 no personal knowledge who put in an appearance for him.
- 14 Q. But you had a separate engagement letter with him?
- 15 A. Separate from what?
- 16 Q. That other individual's.
- 17 A. It was my own engagement letter. I wrote it.
- 18 | Q. When did you stop representing Joshua Bernstein?
- 19 | A. April this year, 2010.
- 20 Q. What date?
- 21 A. I have to check. Towards the end of the month.
- 22 Q. And was the termination of your attorney-client
- 23 | relationship memorialized in any way?
- 24 A. There is -- there are emails that confirm that he is a
- 25 prior or past client for purposes of rules and privileges and

- 1 | not a current client.
- 2 | Q. When did you obtain the Exhibits A and C to the SDNY
- 3 | civil complaint from Josh Bernstein?
- 4 A. It was the overnight of February 28th to March 1st. It
- 5 was after midnight of February 28th, so that would be
- 6 technically March 1st this year.
- 7 Q. And that was an overnight package?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. How was it obtained?
- 10 A. He handed them to me.
- 11 Q. Where did he hand them to you?
- 12 A. In his office.
- 13 Q. Which is where?
- 14 A. That particular office was in an apartment on the Upper
- 15 East Side.
- 16 Q. Would the documents be part of a bigger group of
- 17 | documents?
- 18 A. He handed the documents to me in physical form and to my
- 19 recollection they were the only physical documents he handed
- 20 me.
- 21 | Q. What were the only physical documents he handed you?
- 22 A. He handed me a proffer and a cooperation agreement and a
- 23 | PSR. And for avoidance of ambiguity as I'm not a criminal
- 24 lawyer, what he handed me had attached to the back of the
- 25 proffer what I understand to be or you referred to as a DOJ

- 1 financial statement, but I would not know that is considered
- 2 as part of a proffer or not. Maybe attached to a cooperation
- 3 agreement. To me there were three documents.
- 4 Q. Did he give you any other documents relating to my client
- 5 | John Doe's criminal case?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. Did he give you a complaint that was filed in that case?
- 8 A. Not at that time. If you'll excuse me, for clarification
- 9 I assume you're asking what he handed me at that time on March
- 10 | 1st.
- 11 Q. So, he handed you nothing else on March 1st?
- 12 A. Not as related to the criminal matter, the CR matter,
- 13 | what is it, 1101.
- 14 Q. Did he provide you with a complaint in that case on some
- 15 other date?
- 16 A. Yes, he did.
- 17 Q. When did he provide you with a complaint in that case?
- 18 A. I believe it was March 3rd.
- 19 Q. Was that once again in person?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. In what form did he provide you --
- MR. LERNER: I'll object to the questioning about
- 23 the complaint in another unrelated matter.
- 24 THE COURT: I'm about to inquire about that,
- 25 Mr. Lerner. Complaint in what proceeding?

Case 1:98-cr-01101-ILG Document 49 Filed 02/01/11 Page 12 of 30 PageID #: 1068 12 Oberlander-direct/Moore 1 MS. MOORE: United States versus John Doe, your 2 Honor, sealed complaint. MR. LERNER: I'm sorry, I was confused. I thought 3 4 you were refer -- Ms. Moore is referring to a different 5 document. I withdraw my objection. THE WITNESS: Your Honor, may I just correct one 6 thing I said? 7 8 THE COURT: Sure. 9 THE WITNESS: To the best my recollection the complaint was given to me -- I'm going on recollection -- on 10 March 3rd. He sent me several documents and I'm certain the 11 12 complaint was there. 13 THE COURT: Was that received by hand as well? 14 THE WITNESS: No, no. She asked me whether he ever gave me a complaint and I'm saying I'm substantially certain 15 16 he did, and, if he did, it was in an email that was given to me or I received on March 3rd. 17 THE COURT: An email? 19 THE WITNESS: It was attached to an email, yes. In the email you received from him on March 3rd, did he 0. attach any other documents related to the criminal case

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- against my client in Federal Court in Brooklyn? 22
- The same ones he had given me physically on the first 23
- were attached to that. 24
- 25 Was an indictment or information or draft information Q.

1 attached as well?

- 2 A. It may well have been, but I just simply don't recall.
- 3 It could very well have been, yes.
- 4 Q. Have you in connection with this order to show cause gone
- 5 back and checked what was attached to that email?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. So, as you sit here today, you don't know what else was
- 8 attached to that email?
- 9 A. I answered you to the best of my knowledge. I feel
- 10 substantially certain that a complaint was and that I don't
- 11 have any reason to doubt that the -- what you call an
- 12 | information, I think, is that what you referred to it as?
- 13 Q. A draft information I referred to it as.
- 14 A. Draft information. But I have no specific absolute
- 15 certain recall because those were not in the order to show
- 16 cause so I had no reason to check.
- 17 Q. How many documents were attached to the March 3rd email?
- 18 A. About four, five.
- 19 Q. But you don't know what they were other than the
- 20 complaint and the one that was attached to the SDNY --
- 21 A. As I continue to say, I know the same three he gave me
- 22 were attached to that email. I'm reasonably certain the
- 23 | complaint was attached to the email and I'm relatively certain
- 24 | that the draft information was and I believe that's it, but it
- 25 | is possible there may have been six -- four, five or six.

This is the best information I can give you from

- 2 recollection. I certainly don't deny that it was attached.
- 3 Q. The March 3rd email, was that simply an email from Josh
- 4 Bernstein to you with attachments or was it forwarding an
- 5 underlying email to which those documents had been attached?
- 6 A. May I ask for clarification, please?
- 7 Q. Absolutely.
- 8 A. Do you mean was there any message inside or just --
- 9 Q. No, I'm asking whether aside from the email that
- 10 Mr. Bernstein sent to you, whether or not he was forwarding
- 11 | another email that had attached these documents?
- 12 A. You mean did I receive a forwarded email?
- 13 Q. Correct.
- 14 A. That had been primarily addressed to someone else and I
- 15 was getting it forwarded?
- 16 0. Correct.
- 17 A. That's not correct. It was addressed to me.
- 18 | Q. And, so, it was just the email to you plus the
- 19 attachments; is that correct?
- 20 | A. It was the email was primarily addressed to me. There
- 21 | were other addressees.
- 22 Q. Who else was the email addressed to?
- 23 A. That would be Arnold Bernstein and Jerry, spelled
- 24 J-e-r-r-y, I don't recall the last name, who was the gentleman
- 25 | I refer to as Josh's lead attorney in the White Plains case.

- If I may, your Honor, for clarification, I'm saying I
- 2 | didn't get forwarded somebody else's email. The email was
- 3 addressed to three people and I was one of them.
- 4 Q. Were there any CCs on that email?
- 5 A. I don't recall.
- 6 Q. In preparation for this hearing, you didn't review it?
- 7 A. Probably a week or two, maybe three, when the order to
- 8 | show cause came in to check the dates, I'm substantially
- 9 | certain there were no cc's, but I will not say my memory is
- 10 | infallible. It would be highly unlikely there were any at all
- 11 other than the three of us. I sincerely doubt there --
- 12 Q. What did the email to you, Mr. Bernstein and other
- 13 lawyers say?
- 14 A. The first sentence in the email said, as requested, here
- 15 | are the Doe docs or the John docs. There was an additional
- 16 sentence. I'm not convinced revelation of that sentence is
- 17 | within the very limited privilege waiver that Mr. Bernstein
- 18 gave me, so however you want to handle that, but I can't
- 19 testify to what else was in there.
- 20 Q. Well, the email was addressed to Arnold Bernstein, who is
- 21 Mr. Bernstein's father, right, not his lawyer, correct?
- 22 A. No, that is not correct. He is always very much his
- 23 | lawyer and always held himself out to me as his attorney and
- 24 | Jerry as his lawyer.
- 25 | Q. In a recent conversation with us he did not hold himself

- 1 out to be his lawyer, but putting that aside I don't believe
- 2 | you can waive attorney-client privilege in a limited fashion
- 3 and your recent June 14th letter, is it your position you are
- 4 | not waiving it or it is not waived?
- 5 A. My counsel would know.
- 6 MR. LERNER: I spoke to Mr. Bernstein who stated to
- 7 | me he waived his privilege with respect to how Mr. Oberlander
- 8 received the documents. So, that was the scope of the
- 9 waiver.
- 10 MS. MOORE: Your Honor, I don't believe there can be
- 11 partial attorney-client privilege waiver. I believe once you
- 12 | waive with respect to certain things, it is waived. Certainly
- 13 | what the email said is passing these documents on to
- 14 Mr. Oberlander falls even within the waiver that they seem to
- 15 have received.
- 16 THE WITNESS: Your Honor, I understand I am the
- 17 | witness but he was my former client. May I address the Court
- 18 briefly?
- 19 THE COURT: Why don't you let your attorney do that.
- 20 THE WITNESS: Can I consult with him for a minute?
- 21 THE COURT: Absolutely. It is rather unorthodox to
- 22 have a witness represented by a lawyer also act as his own
- 23 attorney.
- 24 THE WITNESS: There's nothing I'm going to say that's
- 25 | secret.

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THE COURT: I don't know whether it is or isn't. I think you would be well advised to consult with your lawyer.

(Mr. Lerner and the witness confer.)

THE COURT: Where were we?

MR. LERNER: Your Honor, Mr. Bernstein in speaking with me gave a limited waiver. If that is to be interpreted as a waiver for all purposes, then he gave no waiver at all, so he can't -- Mr. Oberlander can't be asked further questions regarding these conversations or communications with Mr. Bernstein.

THE COURT: Well, Ms. Moore, again, what is the relevance of that question, or perhaps there's something I'm missing?

My understanding was that the entire purpose or focus of this proceeding from the very beginning that the order to show cause was presented to me was a concern and a real concern not only for your client but for the Court and the integrity of the entire criminal proceeding as well as to how documents which were clearly intended to remain sealed and clearly intended not to be available for public distribution or even public viewing by anybody unless by virtue of a court order unsealing those documents. So, the focus of this proceeding, as I understand it, is how did those documents which were sealed find its way into a complaint in a civil action commenced in the Southern District of New York, how did

- 1 | the persons who had possession of those documents, obviously
- 2 | had possession of them, acquire them in some fashion because
- 3 | they were attached to a complaint filed in the Southern
- 4 District? How did those documents come into the possession of
- 5 | the persons who attached them to a complaint? That's the
- 6 | concern which I believe was the focus of this proceeding and I
- 7 | think that is what is at issue here. How did you get them,
- 8 | from whom, and then the question will be how did that person
- 9 get them and from whom.
- 10 If those documents were obtained in some fashion
- 11 other than by a voluntary delivery or disclosure of them by
- 12 Mr. Doe, then there is a very, very serious concern which this
- 13 | Court has regarding that issue.
- 14 That is what is before me. With respect to counsel
- 15 | fees and all the rest of it, that's another matter.
- MS. MOORE: Fair enough, your Honor.
- 17 Q. Mr. Oberlander, does the second sentence of the email
- 18 | address how Mr. Bernstein obtained the documents?
- 19 A. It does not.
- 20 Q. Now, did he when he spoke to you either in person on
- 21 | March 1st, or any other time, advise you of how he obtained
- 22 those documents?
- 23 A. He did.
- 24 | Q. When did he advise you of how he obtained them?
- 25 A. Every time, one time or you mean the first time, what?

- 1 Q. Let's start with the first time.
- 2 A. The first time would be March 1st.
- 3 Q. What did he say to you?
- 4 A. He said Doe gave them to him but to be clear, the general
- 5 impression, because I can't recall the exact words, the
- 6 general impression was that Doe gave them many documents and
- 7 included among the documents were these.
- 8 Q. Did he say whether or not Doe provided them in electronic
- 9 form or hard copy?
- 10 A. Not at that time.
- 11 Q. And did you credit his statement that Doe gave him these
- 12 | documents?
- 13 A. In the context of everything else that he told me during
- 14 | the preparation of his White Plains case, yes, I did.
- 15 Q. Why did he give you these documents?
- 16 A. You have to ask him that. They were unsolicited. I
- 17 didn't say would you please give me these documents. He
- 18 | volunteered.
- 19 Q. You described the first sentence of his email to be as
- 20 requested here are the documents. What's the request you're
- 21 referring to?
- 22 A. Because he gave them to me physically and I have a
- 23 scanner and I prefer to work with electronic records and I
- 24 probably March 1 or March 2 -- I mean I forgot which day it
- 25 was, asking if he could possibly send them to me in PDF form

- 1 and it would be easier for me. It was here, I'm sending you
- 2 | PDF files.
- 3 Q. And, so, beyond the first conversation that he told you
- 4 | Doe gave them to him, what other conversations have you had
- 5 | with him describing how he obtained them?
- 6 A. Indirectly through third party, during the preparation of
- 7 | an affidavit for this proceeding, Mr. Bernstein from my
- 8 understanding and this, of course, is hearsay, my
- 9 understanding Mr. Bernstein clarified that Mr. Doe had given
- 10 | him several disks containing files and that these were among
- 11 them, but, as I said, that was told to me by someone who
- 12 | claims that he said it to him and I can't say whether or not
- 13 | it is true.
- 14 Q. Who was it that claims that was said to him?
- 15 MR. LERNER: That would be Richard Lerner.
- 16 Mr. Bernstein said to me when we were having a conversation
- 17 | that he thought he gave them to Mr. Oberlander on -- or he
- 18 obtained them on a computer disk from Mr. Doe.
- 19 Q. And, so, Mr. Oberlander, is it your understanding
- 20 Mr. Bernstein thinks that's how he obtained them or he knows
- 21 | that's how he obtained them?
- 22 A. I have absolutely no idea what relative state of
- 23 | confidence he has in his memory.
- 24 Q. And the document that was forwarded to you, it was not
- 25 | part of a disk, right, it was not part of a set of a bunch of

- 1 documents; what he sent to you were five documents relating to
- 2 | a criminal matter, right?
- 3 A. He sent me to be specific five separate attachments to
- 4 one email. Whether and what degree an attachment is a
- 5 document in the context of your question I'm not certain.
- 6 Q. But it wasn't part of a bigger disk that contained a
- 7 | whole bunch of documents; is that right?
- 8 A. There is no difference. He sent me an email. I'm not
- 9 | following your question.
- 10 | Q. My understanding is through a third party, namely,
- 11 Mr. Lerner, who had a connection with this hearing and advised
- 12 | that Mr. Bernstein claims that my client gave him three disks
- 13 that contained a bunch of documents including these; is that
- 14 | right?
- 15 A. No. First of all, nobody said there were three. I
- 16 | believe we said it is a few and that's indeterminate. Yes, I
- 17 | just answered that question. It is my understanding that
- 18 Mr. Bernstein has some degree of confidence, more than zero or
- 19 less than 100, that the physical means by which he obtained
- 20 | them from Mr. Doe was on disks.
- 21 | Q. But what you in turn received from Mr. Bernstein was not
- 22 | the disk, you obtained the individual separate documents; is
- 23 | that right?
- 24 A. I received -- are we talking about ever, on the 3rd, in
- 25 | that email? What specifically are we talking about?

- 1 | Q. We're talking about March 1st, the 3rd or any other time
- 2 | you may have received these documents.
- 3 A. I only received them twice and as I testified on March
- 4 1st I was given three what I call documents. That's the way I
- 5 testified. They were three successive papers stapled
- 6 together. So to me that's three documents. Then, on March
- 7 | 3rd I got an email that had five attachments. You can say an
- 8 attachment is a document, it is perfectly acceptable usage,
- 9 but the term document there doesn't necessarily refer to
- 10 document in any other context.
- I'm telling you as honestly as I can I got four, five
- 12 or six attachments on that email. If you want to refer to
- 13 attachment as a document, that's okay with me.
- 14 Q. Did it ever occur to you that Mr. Bernstein had stolen
- 15 | those files?
- 16 A. Work product privilege.
- 17 | Q. You're asserting the work product privilege to answer
- 18 | that question as to whether or not it ever occurred to you you
- 19 may have been obtaining stolen documents?
- 20 A. Any thoughts I had about the preparation of his case or
- 21 his case including materials given to me by anybody are work
- 22 product.
- 23 | Q. I'm concerned with your state of mind. Did you think you
- 24 | were obtaining stolen documents?
- 25 A. Work product exception.

- 1 Q. You knew, did you not, that Mr. Bernstein upon being
- 2 | fired from Bayrock had taken thousands of pages of documents
- 3 | with him?
- 4 MR. LERNER: Objection.
- 5 THE COURT: I will allow it.
- 6 A. I don't know any such thing.
- 7 | Q. You knew he was in possession at his home of thousands of
- 8 pages of documents of Bayrock; is that right?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Were you aware he was in possession of Bayrock documents
- 11 | at his home?
- MR. LERNER: At what time, Ms. Moore?
- MS. MOORE: After he was fired from Bayrock.
- 14 | A. I'm sorry, I'm confused. You're asking me if I'm aware
- 15 of what he possessed in his home on every day since the day he
- 16 | was hired?
- 17 Q. No. On any day after he was fired are you aware that he
- 18 was in possession of documents of Bayrock's?
- 19 A. If you can define, please, for me, clarify when you say
- 20 of Bay Rock's, are you specifically referring to documents by
- 21 | which Bayrock would assert ownership of the intellectual
- 22 property of the contents.
- 23 Q. Documents taken from the premises of Bayrock's offices is
- 24 | what I mean by Bayrock documents.
- 25 A. So, that would include his own personal property that he

- 1 took home with him.
- 2 Q. Excluding his own personal property.
- 3 A. Mr. Bernstein had documents in his office. I didn't read
- 4 | them, I don't know what they were. I certainly have no
- 5 | information as to what he did or didn't take.
- 6 Q. But you knew that he was fired, right?
- 7 A. He told me that he was fired, so I assume it is true.
- 8 Q. As a practicing attorney, you are aware when people are
- 9 | fired they are typically not permitted to take documents and
- 10 property of their employer with them, right?
- 11 A. I'm sorry, I'm not aware of what's typical in the world.
- 12 Q. So, when you obtained these documents, cooperation
- 13 agreement, proffer agreement and a PSR, you had no concern
- 14 | these documents were stolen?
- 15 A. Work product.
- 16 Q. Are you familiar with the declaration that Thomas Hylan
- 17 submitted to the Court in connection with your opposition to
- 18 this motion?
- 19 A. It's been a couple weeks since I've seen it, but, of
- 20 course, I did read it.
- 21 Q. By the way, does Mr. Hylan still represent you?
- MR. LERNER: The law firm of Wilson Elser represents
- 23 | Mr. Oberlander in this matter. Mr. Hylan is my partner.
- 24 Q. Did you draft the Hylan declaration?
- 25 | A. Did I draft it?

25 Oberlander-direct/Moore 0. Yes. 2 MR. LERNER: Objection. 3 THE COURT: Sustained. 4 Q. Did you read it before it was filed? Α. I'm sure I did. 5 0. Do you agree with its contents? 6 7 MR. LERNER: Objection. THE COURT: Pardon. 8 MR. LERNER: Objection as to relevance. THE COURT: Objection is sustained. 10 11 It would seem to me if Mr. Hylan was in effect the 12 agent of Mr. Oberlander and Mr. Oberlander had seen that 13 document, it seems to me 801(c) whatever subdivision in the Federal Rules of Evidence might be applicable. 14 Why don't you move on. 15 Mr. Oberlander, if you knew at the time that that 16 0. 17 declaration was filed that Mr. Bernstein said he got those documents voluntarily from Mr. Doe, why is a good portion of 18 that declaration committed to an inquiry as to whether or not 19 20 my client had kept the documents under lock and key? 21 Α. You would have to ask Mr. Hylan. I'm sure he would make the work product objection, if you did. 22 It is your testimony at the time that declaration was 23 24 filed you had a good faith belief Mr. Bernstein obtained the 25 documents legally?

- 1 A. I told you that any belief or thoughts I had about the
- 2 documents with respect to what he said are work product.
- 3 | Q. There was a cross motion made in connection with your
- 4 opposition. You submitted an affidavit in connection with
- 5 | that and in that you say that you believe that permitted to
- 6 | contact the client, who I assume is Mr. Bernstein, he would
- 7 submit an affidavit that described how he obtained the
- 8 documents; is that correct?
- 9 A. Something like that.
- 10 Q. That motion was granted by the court; is that right?
- 11 A. So many words, yes.
- 12 Q. And did you thereafter contact Mr. Bernstein?
- 13 A. He --
- MR. LERNER: Your Honor, I contacted Mr. Bernstein.
- 15 | I spoke with him about the issues. He agreed to a, quote,
- 16 unquote, limited waiver to allow Mr. Oberlander to testify as
- 17 to his giving the documents to Mr. Oberlander. I prepared an
- 18 affidavit based on what he had told me and then his father
- 19 | intervened and said speak with me only, he's not submitting
- 20 any affidavits to the Court, he's represented by counsel.
- 21 | Q. In a follow-up letter to the Court in connection with
- 22 this matter, the other attorney, Mr. Lerner, submits a letter
- 23 on June 14th, and that letter very specifically says that you
- 24 obtained the documents from Mr. Bernstein and that
- 25 Mr. Bernstein told you he obtained them from Mr. Doe, but that

- 1 any statements in that letter are not yours. Specifically
- 2 states the statements in the letter are not yours.
- Why is that?
- 4 A. You would have to ask the author of that letter.
- 5 Q. You stand by the statements that you obtained from
- 6 Mr. Bernstein and Mr. Bernstein told you he obtained them --
- 7 MR. LERNER: May I address it?
- 8 Q. -- from Mr. Doe?
- 9 MR. LERNER: May I address the Court as to why I
- 10 | made certain statements or should we move on?
- 11 THE COURT: It seems that question has been answered,
- 12 Ms. Moore.
- 13 Q. Do you know who would have been given or provided any of
- 14 | the documents you were given either on March 1st or that you
- 15 obtained on March 3rd, 2010?
- 16 A. I'm sorry, I missed the first few words of the question.
- 17 THE COURT: So did I.
- 18 | Q. To whom have you given or provided the documents that you
- 19 obtained on March 1st and March 3rd from Mr. Josh Bernstein?
- 20 A. As to everything other than the documents you referred to
- 21 | in the order to show cause as the sealed and confidential
- 22 documents, it is my recollection that I never gave them to
- 23 anyone. So, as to the sealed and confidential, actually, let
- 24 me amend that, I apologize. I believe I forwarded the email
- 25 | intact to my attorneys, so my attorneys received everything

1 | that was attached to that email.

- 2 Q. Who are your attorneys?
- 3 A. Wilson Elser.
- 4 Q. When did you send it to them?
- 5 MR. LERNER: I believe it was last Saturday.
- 6 THE COURT: I'm sorry.
- 7 MR. LERNER: I believe it was the Saturday before
- 8 | this past Saturday. I can check my Blackberry, if the Court
- 9 wants to know the precise date.
- 10 Q. So, other than your attorneys, Wilson Elser, you did not
- 11 | provide the March 3rd email in its entirety to anyone else; is
- 12 | that correct?
- 13 A. To the absolute best of my recollection, I did not
- 14 | forward intact that email to anyone else. That's to the best
- 15 of my recollection. I could be mistaken.
- 16 Q. Okay.
- Now let's take it to the other documents, even if
- 18 | they are not intact, any part of them. The documents we
- 19 referred to as the sealed and confidential documents, to whom
- 20 | have you provided those documents?
- 21 A. The clerk of the Southern District, the cashier, the
- 22 | in-take clerk, whatever her official title is who receives
- 23 | physical filings was given the original complaint and attached
- 24 | to there were I believe five pages from the PSR, the two
- 25 | proffer agreements and the cooperation agreement, but not DOJ

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financial statement, and Mr. Kriss received those documents electronically in the same form that Mr. -- I'm sorry, this is a confusing answer. Let me start it again.

Mr. Jody Kriss, my client, was given those documents to the extent that they were given in the email to Ron Kriss. In other words, as I testified, the attachments on the May 12 email to Ron Kriss had more pages in some of the sealed and confidential documents, so those versions went to Ron Kriss on May 12th at around 12:30 noon. About an hour earlier I sent the same email with slightly different text to John Elzufon, who is an attorney representing Alex Solomon, one of the defendants in the case, and I sent him the same attachments Ron Kriss had.

Jody Kriss I believe was copied on one of those emails and Stam Stamouilis, who is Mr. Kriss's attorney from Delaware and local counsel for the prior Delaware matter, received a copy of that email, and prior to that the only other thing I can recall is that a couple of weeks before filing the complaint I gave extracts of those documents electronically to Mr. Kriss for his use and verification of the complaint because he had to verify the complaint.

To the best of my knowledge, that's the absolute -- actually, no, let me just change that. There was one other person. I believe I sent one or two of them to another attorney sometime in March.

- 1 Q. Who is that attorney?
- 2 A. The gentleman's name is David Schlecker.
- 3 Q. He is an attorney of yours?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Could you spell John Elzufon's last name for us, please?
- 6 A. E-1-z-u-f-o-n.
- 7 Q. And Mr. Schlecker's last name?
- 8 A. S-c-h-l-e-c-k-e-r.
- 9 Q. So, besides Jody Kriss, Ron Kriss, John Elzufon, Stam
- 10 | Stamoulis, Wilson Elser, David Schlecker, is there anyone else
- 11 | you know of to whom you sent any part or portion of the
- 12 documents we have been referring to as the sealed and
- 13 | confidential documents or any other documents relating to
- 14 Mr. Doe's criminal file?
- 15 A. I don't know what documents related to his criminal file
- 16 | means. To the best of my recollection there isn't anybody
- 17 | else I sent them to.
- 18 Q. To your knowledge, do you know whether or not any of the
- 19 other people you sent them to sent them further to anyone
- 20 else?
- 21 A. I have no knowledge that they did, no. I have no
- 22 knowledge, sorry.
- 23 | Q. Did they ever advise you that they had it?
- 24 A. Not specifically. I'm not -- no, not specifically,
- 25 | nobody said to me we sent these down here to somebody else.